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1. REFTEL B, WHICH WE ARE REPEATING TO PARIS, INCLUDES IN ITS REPORT OF GARBA'S PRESS CONFERENCE OF MAY 30 IN LONDON THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE: QUOTE ONLY THE "TIMES" REPORTS A COMMENT BY GARBA SAYING NIGERIA WOULD OFFER TROOPS TO DEFEND ZAIRE, BUT AGAIN, THE CONTRIBUTION WOULD HAVE TO BE UNDER OAU AUSPICES. UNQUOTE
2. THIS COMMENT OF GARBA'S, TOGETHER WITH THE CONTENTS OF REFTEL A, SHOWS EVEN MORE CLEARLY WHAT A VAST DIFFERENCE THE OAU AUSPICES WOULD MAKE IN THE NIGERIAN ATTITUDE TOWARDS AN INTER-AFRICAN DEFENSE FORCE FOR THE DEFENSE OF ZAIRE.
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